

SPRING MEETING OF THE HERSHEY'S MILL SPORTS GROUP 2016

The Spring Meeting of The Hershey's Mill Sports Group, or HMSG, was held on Wednesday, May 11, 2016 at 2:00 pm in the main room of The Community Center. Don Evons, a past chair of HMSG, presided for Charlie Gentile, who is ill, and Demi Neilson recorded. Approximately 30 residents attended the meeting.

Don Evons commented that the 2016 Bocce tournament consisted of 65 teams who are to set up matches by emailing their opponents from a large and growing email list. Reporting for Allen Shaffer, Don also noted that table tennis is a new and growing activity under the mantle of HMSG. The group has over 20 members who play at two tables on the second floor of this building. There is also a ping pong table at the pool.

Don also mentioned that shuffleboard activities are on hold until the courts are resurfaced. He also stated that Joe Bove is the point of contact for HMSG with the Master Association and the Group will coordinate with Joe about the five-year plan.

The Group is also hoping to recruit a new leader for horseshoes.

Roger Karr, Vice President of HMSG and Chair of Pickleball, mentioned the introduction of new sports, including paddleton and pickle tennis. He said that clinics for new players will be held during the season.

The Treasury had a balance of more than \$3,200.00.

Don stated that tennis clinics were planned for beginners and for those returning to the sport and that the Inter Club season is underway. He said that the courts are well groomed and like new after the third winter. Screening work was to be completed soon.

Don mentioned that the HMSG By-laws are being rewritten to avoid redundancies and conflicts.

Demi Neilson, Chair of the Social Committee, said that plans are underway for the three main social events of the Summer. Rudi Hall and Marilyn Flynn are running the Memorial Day event and Nancy Sullivan Westlake is chairing both the July 4th and Labor Day socials. These events are drawing more than 100 residents for sports and fun.

Don described the draft stage of the five-year plan, using the story board as printed in the May edition of the Channel 20 Digest, which includes relocating shuffleboard activities, moving the Bocce courts, beautification of tennis courts and adding structures such as a fire pit and a gazebo, among other amenities. Don mentioned that part of this process involves community awareness and interaction of the Finance Committee, The Board of Directors and the Master Association. A lively discussion of the Plan followed. Joe Bove of the MA mentioned the 5 year plan was a "proposed" plan and encouraged everyone to voice their opinions.

Demi stated the Spring TV Show featuring the HMSG will take place on May 13th and that an Open House for potential new residents is scheduled for May 22nd.

These minutes reflect that at the conclusion of the meeting, Roseanne Havird of the table tennis group volunteered to become the secretary of HMSG.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Demi Neilson